

Journal

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1. Talked by telephone with Spencer Beresford, Staff Director, House Committee on Aeronautics and Space Exploration, who confirmed newspaper reports that Overton Brooks was slated to become Chairman of that Committee replacing Mr. McCormack. Since the Committee will become a Standing Committee as opposed to its status last year as a Select Committee, it has been determined that it is an exclusive Committee which requires that Mr. Brooks give up his membership on the House Armed Services Committee.

2. Talked with Mr. Robert Smart about Overton Brooks' pending departure from the House Armed Services Committee and other possible changes. After discussion with the Director, Mr. Smart will discuss the situation with Carl Vinson.

3. The Director inquired about the briefing of Senator Humphrey's Disarmament Subcommittee and whether or not it had been set. I advised that the suggestion of the CIA team of Scoville, [redacted] was very acceptable to the Staff Director but it was to be cleared with Senator Humphrey and we are to be advised.

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5. Mr. Kirkpatrick requested that an appointment be made with Representative Daniel J. Flood to indicate to him our opinions of [redacted] on the IG staff has the material.

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6. Representative Ed Edmondson (Okla.) has forwarded a suggestion for CIA that a biography be kept [redacted] Upon checking with [redacted] it was determined that this has been done for some time. I asked him to have the person responsible for this work contact me so we may review the specific cases mentioned by Mr. Edmondson so we can inform him of this procedure.

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